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FAIR TIME AND FUN TIME JUST AROUND THE CORNER

RUTH IS BACK

OUR TOWN

By Ruth Loyd

Hello again. Here I am, grateful to be still alive and ticking. I have never been one to send cards and flowers to friends in the hospital, but now I know how special thoughtful friends and relatives can be. From now on I shall remember how I felt being remembered.

When I first arrived at the SIERRA VIEW HILTON, they put me in the emergency room. Not the new fancy emergency room. The old one, where a curtain separates you from all kinds of interesting goings on. After one doctor checked me over, he said to call DR. CRANE. I wasn't thinking too clearly at the moment, but I wondered why they were sending for CHARLIE CRANE. Maybe CHARLIE was going to curl my fetlock or something. Then I met DR. ROBERT CRANE, and he answered all my dumb questions, and I think I love him.

I ended up in the intensive care unit of OUR HOSPITAL. They hooked my chest up with

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Future Farmers Show Livestock At State Fair

PORTERVILLE – Fifteen Porterville High School FFA members left yesterday to participate in and exhibit their livestock at the California State fair in Sacramento.

The group, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Landeros and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mailand, will be exhibiting 12 head of beef cattle, 10 lambs, and seven swine.

Beef exhibitors include: Bryan Borror and Gary Clower, registered Angus; Doug Schultz, Phillip Carlton, and Steve Babish, market steers; Terry Taylor, Len Landeros, Doug Schultz, Jenny Schultz, and Caroline Valine, sheep; and Bill Moench, Neil Weisenberger, Mike Landeros, Jerry Clark, Cheryl Paulus, and John Robinson, swine. Miss Valine is a member of Monache FFA.

The group will be returning September 2, hopefully repeating or bettering last year's success at Cal Expo when Borror had the champion Angus heifer and Schultz took first place with his lightweight cross-bred steer.

TAX DEADLINE

VISALIA – A reminder is being issued by Tulare County Tax Collector-Treasurer C. Ralph Howard that deadline date for payment of the unsecured personal property tax is September 2.

Payments must be made to his office by this date or postmarked by September 2 to avoid a penalty of six percent of the total amount due that attaches after September 2.

Immediately thereafter, action for collection will be initiated under the appropriate sections of the California taxation code and tax liens will be recorded.

DIG THAT PILE OF SHAVINGS

TAKE A pile of shavings and sawdust, mix in 150 prizes, turn a bunch of youngsters loose to go after the prizes and that's the Tulare County Fair's version of "finding a needle in the haystack." But the youngsters will find the prizes and oldsters will find a lot of fun watching the prize scramble that is set for the first three days of the 1975 fair.

KIDS OF ALL AGES LOVE THEM

JOHN AND VIVIAN BRUNER, master puppeteers, are shown with their creations, Leon, the double standard French poodle, and Lilly L'Armour, who will be in the cast of the Popcorn Theater Marionettes' production of "The Taming of the Circus Trainer" that will be presented twice daily at the Tulare County Fair, September 16-21.

MARIONETTES GIVE MR. FEAR HIS COMUPPANCE

TULARE – Mix animals with marionettes, add a dash of refreshing fantasy, and the result is "The Taming Of The Circus Trainer," that will be presented by the Popcorn Theater Marionettes twice daily at the Tulare County fair, September 16-21.

The show designed by Master Puppeteers Vivian and John Brunner, brings Mr. Fear, an ornery circus animal trainer, to the Popcorn Theater stage, along with a lovely lady, Lilly L'Armour; a Bird of Paradise, Igor the Dragon, a Grench poodle named Leon and animals of the circus.

Plot involves tricks, surprise tumbles, glittering excitement and suspense as Mr. Fear is foiled in a "smash" finish, as the Brunners utilize their professional skills to develop mechanism and articulation to bring life to their puppets.

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PRIZES GALORE IN SHAVINGS PILE SCRAMBLE

TULARE – Hundreds of prizes will go to youngsters at the 1975 Tulare County fair in a "Shavings Pile Prize Scramble," billed as the fair's version of "finding a needle in a haystack."

Children of 3, 4, and 5 years of age will scramble September 16 - the fair's opening day at 7 p.m.; 6, 7, and 8 year olds will scramble September 17, at 6:30 p.m.; and 9, 10, and 11 year olds will dig into the shavings at 7 p.m. on September 18.

All the scrambles will be held in front of the west stage; no signup is necessary, youngsters of the proper age group only have to show up at the scheduled time.

Included in prizes every day will be 50 free carnival rides, plus one large plush animal; 50 prizes from McDonalds, including a Big Mac watch and a Big Mac radio; 50 Pepsi awards,

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COUNTY'S AGRICULTURAL EMPIRE WILL BE ON DISPLAY SEPT. 16-21

TULARE – Tulare county's agricultural empire, along with its schools, its industries, its communities, its businesses, and its people, goes on display September 16, when the 54th Tulare County Fair opens its gates with an official ceremony at noon. The fair will run through September 21.

As a prelude to fair opening, the traditional County Fair parade will move through downtown Tulare at 10 a.m., with floats, bands, horseless carriages, riders, drill teams, horse-drawn vehicles, decorated cars, baton twirlers, military entries, and vintage cars included in 22 colorful divisions.

The six-day and night fair will feature a colorful carnival midway, produced by Butler Amusement company; a great new event this year will be High School Rodeo, produced by Cotton Rosser; an event that packed the grandstand last year will be brought back this year - Tractor Pulling Contest; and again there will be the roar of motors and the crunch of metal in a Destruction Derby.

Professional stage entertainment will include singing stars of the Lawrence Welk show - Guy and Ralna; country music artist Conny Van Dyke; the new fiddling and singing sensation, Jana Lou; the wizard of the harmonica, Bernie Burns; and the Mission Mountain Wood Band.

All stage shows and all grandstand events are free.

Future Farmers and 4-H members from throughout the county will take the spotlight in the livestock show rings, along with open division exhibitors; action in the horse show arena is scheduled for every day of the fair; traditional 4-H and FFA Market Livestock auction, also Springer Heifer sale, will again be highlight features of the fair.

For the kiddies it will be the Popcorn Theater Marionettes performing twice every day at the fair; Ronald McDonald in person will spend September 17 on the grounds; hundreds of prizes will be given away in three shavings pile prize scrambles; and on kiddie day - the opening day of the fair - youngsters up to 12 years of age will be admitted free, and carnival rides for them will be reduced in price.

Tulare County Pioneers will be guests of the fair September 17; the county's finest raisin pie bakers will be judged September 19; Tulare County Cotton Wives will stage a fashion show September 18.

Talent from Tulare county will be featured during the fair: Greg Roberts and the Goodtimers, The Zimmers, Bridge, the Riata Ranch Show, Porterville Twirlerettes, Tulare High Steppers, and the Young Americans Baton group.

Exhibits - commercial, industrial, business, creative arts, community, special feature, home economics, home furnishings, agriculture and horticulture, and others - will be open throughout the fair.

Grade Dairy Cow Classes Sept. 16 To Be Opening-Day Feature Of Fair

TULARE – Dairymen in Tulare and neighboring counties are invited to participate in a grade cow class event at the Tulare County Fair, a special event held during the dairy show, at 12 noon, September 16.

Purpose of these classes, according to Farm Advisor Gale G. Gurtle, is to show some of the good grade cows in local herds and to give dairymen with grade cattle the opportunity to take part in the dairy show. Other classes are limited to purebred dairy cattle.

Two classes have been set up, one is for heifers that have calved once or twice; second class is for cows that have calved three or more times.

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BOOTH FOR PORTERVILLE?

Porterville may have a community exhibit in the 1975 Tulare County fair after all. The Porterville Future Farmer Alumni group has indicated interest - with the Porterville chamber of commerce cooperating. Porterville's exhibit last year placed fourth, as Pixley won top honors for the third year in a row. At present it appears Pixley will not enter this year.

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION

TULARE – A record number of Industrial Education exhibits are expected this year at the Tulare County fair, with Fair Manager Al Slinde stating that purpose of the relatively new Industrial Education division is to show the public what is being done in the industrial arts and vocational education programs in Tulare county schools, and to stimulate further student interest in these fields.

"Industrial education is an integral and important part of the total program in our public schools," says Slinde, "and student work that will be shown at the fair may amaze those persons not familiar with the industrial education program."

Categories of exhibits are: Drafting, electricity-electronics, graphic arts, industrial crafts,

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BIG BOMBARDMENT, COME MONDAY

PORTERVILLE – Big annual bombardment will open up Monday morning, September 1, as dove hunters, local and otherwise, take to the fields, with prospects fair to good. First section of the split season runs through September 30; second section November 22-December 7. Daily bag limit is 10 birds, with 20 in possession after opening day.

SO WHAT HAS GRAIN SALE TO RUSSIA REALLY DONE TO FOOD PRICES IN U.S.

(Ed. Note - What with all the pro and con comments, many of them highly critical, of the sale of U.S. grain to Russia, the following information is presented by the U.S. department of agriculture as background information.)

*** The sale of wheat to the Soviet Union, with the first sale announced on July 16, has had no effect on the July Consumer Price Index. First, the food price statistics for the July CPI were gathered in early July before private U.S. grain exporters sold the Soviet Union any wheat. Second, it takes 3 to 12 months for a change in the price of grain to work its way through to consumer food products.

*** Since last summer, a drop in farm prices has helped keep the CPI from rising more. Farm prices have dropped in six of the last 10 months (August-June), and in June 1975 were lower than last August 1974. During this 10 month period, the CPI for food increased more than 7 percent, as did all items less food.

*** Wholesale grain prices increased from June to July this year, but in July were still 11 percent below a year go. This was during a period when all industrial commodities increased 12 percent from July to July. Prices paid by farmers increased by 11 percent during this same period.

*** The Economic Research Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture estimates that the sales of U.S. grain that have been made to the Soviet Union thus far this year--versus no sale of grain to the Soviet Union at all--will add about 75 cents per bushel to the price of wheat and 30 cents per bushel to the price of corn. The Department has been planning all along for some sales to Russia. It takes from three months to a year for changes in farm prices of wheat and feed grain to work their way through to retail food prices. Little impact on consumer food prices is expected in 1975 from sales to the Soviet Union. The 75-cent increase in the price of wheat will add about 0.6 percent to the retail price of food crops. The 30-cent increase in the price of corn will increase livestock product prices slightly. The over-all effect will be to increase retail food prices by less than 1½ percent, largely in 1976.

*** Grain crops are international commodities with prices determined by international supply and demand factors. Thus when any nation buys wheat or feed grains, or produces them for sale, this has an effect on U.S. grain prices. Ordinarily, the United States exports about one-fourth of its feed grains and about two-thirds of its wheat on world markets. Thus any crop failures, or outstanding crop years, or unusual sales do have an effect on U.S. farm grain prices. If the Soviet Union had not purchased any grain from U.S. sources this year, but purchased from other nations, this still would affect U.S. grain prices.

Ann LaPresta Will Be Installed As President Of County Hi-4-H

VISALIA – Anne LaPresta of Porterville will be installed as president of the Tulare County Hi 4-H club at the organization's first meeting of the 1975-76 year to be held in the Agricultural building in Visalia, September 2 at 7:30 p.m.

Miss LaPresta, an eight year member of the Burton 4-H club, succeeds Margot Foucht, Divisadero club.

Other members to take office will include Robert Goulart, Elbow Creek, vice-president; Dawn Hosfeldt, Vandalia, secretary; Sheryl Spuhler, Prairie Center, treasurer; Kim Nagel, Elbow Creek, purchasing agent and Carla Carter, Vandalia, reporter.

Adult advisors to the teen unit are Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hoskins, Lindsay and Mr. and Mrs. William Whitendale, Visalia.

Miss LaPresta said the Executive Officers have met and have tentatively outlined a full agenda for the year which will include monthly business meetings, fund-raising projects, dances and social activities.

"The highlight of our year," she said, "will be a bus trip to Colorado next summer. This will be the return-half of an exchange which was started this summer when 38 Hi 4-H'ers from Adams county, Colorado visited our county as guests in the homes of Tulare county members."

USDA CHARGES MILLION DOLLAR FOOD STAMP LOSS

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Agriculture has billed California, Washington, and Hawaii a total of $1,008,400 for losses due to negligence in these states' administration of the food stamp program.

The food stamp program is a cooperative Federal-state program administered by state social service agencies. USDA requested statistically valid audits of food stamp operations in the three states after finding that the states had taken no action for a long period of time to correct serious program deficiencies or to improve program administration.

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We Only Heard
By BILL RODGERS

SO, WHAT was that two-story building, a picture of which we ran last week and labelled a two-story outhouse? Some say it was just an old shack being torn down; some say it was really a smokehouse; one said that the reason it was two-story is that in the winter the snow gets so deep in Michigan that folks walk across it, when the need arises, into the second story... But even those who accept the validity of the two-story outhouse cannot explain its internal design... We're still waiting to hear from some genius who is familiar with architectural and planning intricacies of this relic from the good old days.

AN ALUMNI reunion of somewhat unusual nature is coming up at the Elks lodge Saturday night - a reunion of former pupils at the Vine street school. Although years ago the school itself fell in the path of progress, both physical and academically theoretical, the memory lingers on... But one item is missing - the school's "Minute Man Flag." If anyone knows its whereabouts, bring it along Saturday night.

SHORT SHOTS - Very sharp indeed is the new paint job on the Elks Lodge building at Main and Morton. It sort of brightens up that section of the Emigrant trail... Very rough indeed is the engineering montrosity facitiously referred to as a storm drain across E street at Harrison. But as a traffic hazard, it's a masterpiece of imaginative planning... The time is today. The California Agricultural Labor Relations law becomes effective and Cesar Chavez and the Teamsters can have at it in organizing agricultural workers - with the farmers caught in the middle... Just a reminder - theme for the Veterans' Day parade in Porterville on November 11 is "Our Country - Then And Now."... Phoney, phoney, phoney - the action of national congressmen and senators in bumping their pay upward. Ditto for state legislators. This action, along with a substantial list of other actions, makes it tougher and tougher for we the people to make ends meet, but really the problem has a simple solution. Just pass a law that allows you and me to raise our own pay any time we want to as much as we want to - with someone else picking up the tab... Hey now, have you noticed that fall is in the air?

OPPORTUNITY TO EARN HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA OFFERED BY ADULT SCHOOL

PORTERVILLE – Counseling for adult high school diplomas is now under way at Porterville Adult school according to Dr. R.H. Chamberlain, director of adult education for the Porterville Union High School district.

Last year about 50 adults earned diplomas through the adult high school diploma program. In addition, other adults have earned elementary school diplomas through an arrangement with Porterville Elementary School district, and over 70 people took the General Education Development test of high school equivalency.

Porterville Adult school is an authorized institution for veteran's training. Allowance of credit for work and military experience and an accelerated plan for adults over 20 makes a diploma readily attainable even for people who have had little or no previous high school education.

Both day and evening classes start September 8, but anyone interested in a diploma should call the Adult School office at 784-7000, ext. 14, for a counseling appointment as soon as possible, and returning students should check on the classes they should take. The office is located in the administration building at Porterville High school and most classes are held on that campus.

Anyone over 18 interested in taking the GED test of high school equivalency or wanting a list of classes should call the same number.

Parks Ready For Labor Day Rush

ASH MOUNTAIN – Acting Superintendent Gene Daugherty reports Sequoia and Kings Canyon National parks are ready for the traditional rush of visitors over the Labor Day holiday.

Campgrounds have been nearly full this past week, despite the cooler weather. There were 5% more visits to these parks last month as compared to July of 1974, and campers seem to be staying longer than last summer.

Daugherty said, "The only thing that might affect the filling of campsites would be unseasonable colder weather, or unexpected rains." All campgrounds are on a first-come, first-served basis.

Nighttime temperatures are lower in the Sierra. Lightning storms have brought rain to the 6,500 foot level, and snow to the backcountry. Hikers should be prepared for both showers and cold weather. The few fires started by lightning do not present a threat to visitors.

Use of the backcountry trails has increased considerably this year, and the quotas for the trails have been filling up even in mid-week. Hikers are encouraged to arrive at the trailhead a day ahead of their departure date to obtain a wilderness permit for their trip.

Daily guided nature walks and campfire talks will end on Labor day, including Crystal cave. But some naturalist activities will continue on a reduced basis.

Park concessioner anticipipates guest rooms will be full for the holiday weekend, so visitors are advised to call (209) 565-3373 for information on lodging. Meal services, groceries, gasoline, and souvenirs are available at Giant Forest, Stony Creek, Grant Grove, and Cedar Grove.

Information on campground capacity and trail use is available by calling (209) 565-3351 or (209) 335-3323.

J.D. FROST SUES SUNKIST OVER PATENT

PORTERVILLE – A complaint for infringement of patent, accounting, injunction and damages has been filed against Sunkist Growers Inc. by J. Dahle Frost, of Porterville.

The complaint alleges that on December 20, 1966, United States Letters Patent No. 3,292,341 were duly and legally issued to Frost for an invention in an orienting and packing apparatus, and that Frost is still the owner of the patent letters.

Frost further claims that his patent was infringed on when Sunkist started to sell and lease a Pack Machine for oranges and grapefruit.

Frost asks for an accounting for damages, compensatory damages and that these damages be trebled, a final injunction against infringement by Sunkist and such further relief that as to the court seems just and proper.

Frost also invented and holds patents on air bags that are being placed in some cars and that are advocated for all cars.

DEPUTY DIRECTOR

SACRAMENTO – New deputy director of the California department of fish and game is James B. McCormick, chief of the department's planning branch since 1971. He joined the department in 1956 after six years as a fish and game warden.

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Jerry Lewis' Muscular Dystrophy Telethon On Air Aug. 31-Sept. 1

FRESNO – The Tenth Annual Jerry Lewis Labor Day Telethon Against Muscular Dystrophy is coming to Fresno August 31 - September 1.

The marathon TV spectacular, held to benefit the research and patient service programs of the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA), will be carried by a coast-to-coast network of more than 190 TV stations, and will also be seen in Hawaii, Alaska, Puerto Rico, and Guam. In this area, the supershow will be broadcast over KFSN, Channel 30.

The show, which last year produced a record $16.1 million for the national health agency's work, will originate from Del Webb's Hotel Sahara in Las Vegas, site of the 1974 effort. Ed McMahon will again serve as Jerry Lewis' anchorman in Las Vegas; Arthur Forrest is the show's producer-director.

CHILDREN IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS MAY ENROLL ON FIRST DAY, SEPT. 2

PORTERVILLE – Children enrolling for the first time in Porterville elementary schools may do so on the first day of school, Tuesday, September 2, beginning at 8:00 a.m., according to Dr. Bill Luehe, assistant superintendent of elementary instruction.

Proof of previous enrollment in any California school is all that is necessary to enroll any pupil in grades one through eight.

Those who are entering any California school for the first time are required by California law to have written proof of immunization against polio, DPT (diptheria-whooping cough-Tetanus), and rubeola measles. In addition, new kindergarten pupils must also have official proof of their birthdate, and must be five years old by December 1, 1975, to be enrolled in California schools.

Double sessions of kindergarten are scheduled at most of the Porterville elementary schools. The morning session will run from 8:45 to 11:45 a.m. and afternoon session from 12:15 to 3:15 p.m.

Maximum enrollment for each of the classes is 32 pupils. Those enrolled after the maximum number has been reached will be transported to other schools that have not reached peak enrollment.

Transportation to their homes is provided for morning kindergarten youngsters, and transportation to school is provided for those attending the afternoon sessions.

Parents should contact their local school if they have questions regarding any enrollment procedures. Telephone numbers for the schools are Bartlett, 784-3965; Pioneer, 784-8162; Belleview, 784-3158; John J. Doyle, 784-7175; Olive, 784-1011; Roche, 784-2367; Vandalia, 784-6513; Westfield, 784-4328; West Putnam, 784-5237.

DRIVER TRAINING SCHEDULES SET AT HIGH SCHOOLS

PORTERVILLE – Driver training will be offered to Monache and Porterville high school students before and after the regular school day during the 1975-76 school year.

Morning sessions will be from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. and afternoon sessions will be from 3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Prerequisites to behind-the-wheel course are that a student must be at least 15½ years of age, and have completed the driver education unit as a freshman in the California requirements course.

Students who have fulfilled these requirements may sign up for driver training with Mrs. Coeta Rieger in the administration building at Porterville, or Mrs. Laurie Pugh at Monache.

JACOBI & SON COW IS HIGH

VISALIA – A grade Holstein in the herd of Andy Jacobi & Son, of Dinuba, was high cow in the Tulare County Dairy Herd Improvement association that completed a 305-day lactation period during July, with a production record of 26,803 pounds of milk and 954 pounds of butterfat.

Coaching Assignments Announced For 1975-76 Year At Monache High

PORTERVILLE – Athletic coaching assignments at Monache High for the 1975-76 school year have been announced by Director of Athletics Bob Otto.

Football will have Ron Kavadas, head varsity coach, assisted by Dawrence Rice and Jim Crichlow; junior varsity, Travis Bierman, assisted by Tom Rieger; frosh/soph team, Randy Quiram, assisted by Otto; and C team, Jerry Vinson, assisted by Drew Williams.

Rick Vafeades will again coach cross country and Hal Hevener will continue with water polo. Girls' gymnastics will be coached by Pam Berryhill. Girls' volleyball will again be coached by Pam Kessler.

Winter sports will have Drew Williams as varsity wrestling coach and Jerry Vinson as JV coach. Basketball will again be headed by Carroll Land with the varsity, Hevener, JV coach, Vafeades, frosh/soph coach, and a C class coach to be named later. Dave Rugeroni will head the soccer program.

Spring sports will see Jim Crichlow heading the track program, assisted by Randy Quiram and Otto. Hevener will continue as head swim coach assisted by Berryhill, girls' swim coach. Golf coaches will be Land with the varsity and Bill Ward, junior varsity team. Varsity tennis coach again will be Kessler with Paul Begin, assistant. Tom Rieger will return as varsity baseball coach, with Rice as JV coach and Vafeades as freshman coach.

Hunting Regulations, Shooting Hours Contained In Fish And Game Leaflet

SACRAMENTO – Leaflets containing regulations and a table of shooting hours for the 1975-76 dove and pigeon seasons are now available at Department of Fish and Game offices, and with license agents throughout the state.

Shooting time is from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset, and the shooting-hour table lists opening and closing times for the various areas of the state from Tulelake and Eureka on the north to the Imperial valley and San Diego on the south.

Dove season opens statewide September 1; pigeon season October 4 in 13 northern counties and December 13 in the balance of the state.

JOHN MOLEZZO IN AIR FORCE

VISALIA – John G. Molezzo, of Porterille, has joined the U.S. Air Force under a guaranteed job program as an Inventory Management specialist. He is a 1966 graudate of Porterville high school.

RODEO CLUB AT COLLEGE

PORTERVILLE – Students interested in helping organize or in becoming a member of the Porterville College Rodeo club are asked to call Janet Everett, 539-2256; Rod Hudson, 784-5150; or Sam Baker, Porterville college, 781-3130.

Watermelons are moving from the Modesto and Stockton areas; price is poor.

GISELE McKENZIE, noted singer and entertainer, will be the featured soloist at "Serenade Under The Stars," the event that annually opens the Tulare County Symphony's Winter season - this year, September 20 in the garden of the Richard McCarthy home in Tulare. Tickets are $35 per couple; the evening will begin with cocktails at 7 p.m.; then dinner at 8:30 p.m., followed by a concert, with the orchestra under the baton of Edward Nord. Dancing will follow this performance. The event is sponsored by the Women's Symphony league; Mrs. Richard McMillan, of Visalia, is general chairman; Mrs. Robert Merzoian, of Porterville, is League president.

In the past decade annual number of forest fires caused by human beings in the United States has jumped from 74,000 to 110,000.

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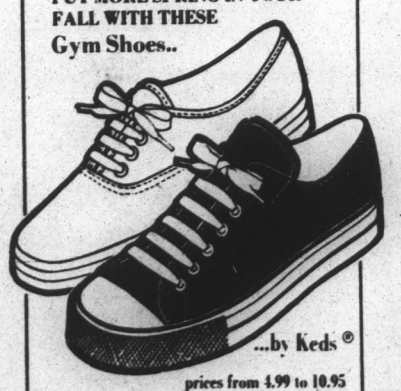

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SUN-MAID HAS RECORD MARKET YEAR

KINGSBURG — At the regular meeting of the board of directors of Sun-Maid Raisin Growers of California in Kingsburg on August 20, F.R. Light, the association's president, reported that the Sun-Maid's marketing and operating performance for the fiscal year just ended continues to show excellent growth and strength.

Light also indicated that the coming 1975 crop year should be another banner year for Sun-Maid growers.

In an analysis of the unaudited financial statements of Sun-Maid for the fiscal year that ended July 31, it was reported that the association was able to weather the two-pronged impact of international inflation and recession experienced by businesses throughout the world.

Sun-Maid's sales for the fiscal year just ended of $78.8 million establishes a new record for the cooperative and were $10.4 million or 15 percent in excess of those for the prior fiscal year.

QUARANTINE ON ELM SPECIES

SACRAMENTO — The California Department of Food and Agriculture has announced it will place a quarantine on all of Napa county and part of Sonoma county because of outbreaks of Dutch elm disease. Chief Deputy Director James Youde said the measure will halt all movement of elm species, including branches, twigs, cuttings, bark, and other tree parts, logs and cordwood from or within the quarantined area.

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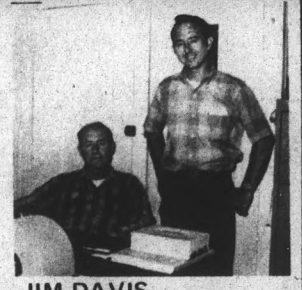

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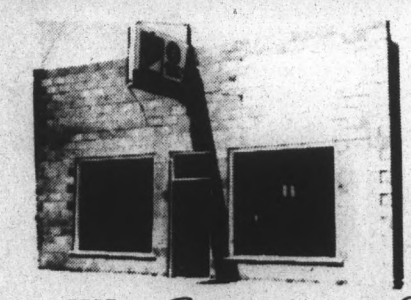

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BEN WELDON, chairman of the 1975 Flag Day celebration and manager of Porterville Montgomery Ward's, recently presented Plano 4-H club with a Bicentennial flag that was flown during the 1975 Flag Day celebration. Plano 4-H'ers accepting the flag for the club were citizenship chairman Katherine Homer, Jeff Faure, Jay Faure, Doug Scheer, and Steven Knapp, also 4-H leader Rodney Homer, not in photo.

PLANO 4-H HONORED BY COMMISSION

PLANO – Plano 4-H club members, on a recent educational tour of the County courthouse, visited the offices of the county executive, the Board of Supervisors, Superior Court chambers, County Clerk, Recorder, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Assessor, Auditor, and Education.

At each department an official explained the function of its branch of county government; Supervisor Don Hillman talked to the group in the Supervisor's chambers.

Highlight of the tour was going to the Chamber of Commerce office where a monthly meeting of the Tulare County American Revolution Bicentennial commission was in progress.

At this meeting the Commission awarded Plano 4-H the first Bicentennial Liberty tree to be planted in Tulare county at Vandalia school January 1, 1976.

The Commission also endorsed Plano 4-H as an official representative to the National Bicentennial celebration in Philadelphia next July 4th.

Approximately 37 members and leaders attended the tour.

Grasshoppers are appearing again in some areas of the San Joaquin valley in numbers that make control treatment necessary.

FIELD CROPS UP IN STATE

SACRAMENTO – Production of California's major field crops is forecast to be up 15 percent from 1974. Sugar beets show the largest increase in tonnage followed by wheat, barley, corn, rice and oats. Dry beans, hay and grain sorghum are showing a decrease from last year.

California walnut crop forecast is a record high 190,000 tons in-shell, 23 percent above last year and nine percent above the 1973 record crop.

Kern Plateau Management Plan Offered By Western Timber Assn.

SAN FRANCISCO – Western Timber Association, an organization of companies that buy timber from California National Forests, has offered its own plan for future management of the Kern Plateau in the southern Sierra Nevada.

"We have concluded that none of the Forest Service alternatives meets the objective of maximizing the net human benefits available from the Unit's resources," Richard Reid, Information Forester for the association said in a letter to Sequoia National Forest Supervisor John Leasure. Consequently the association chose to put forward its own proposal and has asked that it be analyzed and presented unmodified in the environmental statement.

According to the association, the alternative utilizes, through intensive development, the varied resources of the Kern Plateau Unit consistent with all resource protection requirements.

The proposal would allocate 62,500 acres to classified Wilderness, 87,200 acres to dispersed use, and 255,460 acres to resource production.

Most development activities would occur on those lands scheduled for resource production. Such activities as growth and harvest of timber, campground installation, winter sports development, livestock grazing, and mining would take place while protecting the resource base.

"We believe the Western Timber Association proposal is the one which would provide the best combination of uses to benefit society," Reid said.

Copies of the proposed plan are available from Western Timber Association, 212 Sutter St., San Francisco, Ca. 94108.

DISASTER-RELATED ASSISTANCE DOWN

WASHINGTON – The number of farmers filing applications for natural disaster-related assistance has fallen 35 percent from a year ago, according to figures compiled recently by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Generally favorable weather conditions throughout much of the country was the major reason cited as the cause of the reduction.

SCHOOL CAFETERIA SERVICES ON FIRST SCHOOL DAY

PORTERVILLE – Public Schools in Porterville will provide cafeteria services beginning the first day of school, Tuesday, September 2, according to Superintendent of Business Services Richard Parker.

The class "A" lunch will be available to students on the same basis as last year with no change in price. Prices are 40 cents for grades 1-8 and 45 cents for grades 9-12. The price of milk will remain 10 cents.

High school cafeterias will make snack bar food available to students in addition to the class "A" lunch.

Honeydew melons are moving from Sacramento and San Joaquin counties; cantaloupes from the Firebaugh-Mendota area.

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ELECTED TO the board of directors of Beckman Instruments Inc., is Dr. Harold Brown, president of the California Institute of Technology and former secretary of the U.S. Air Force. Dr. Arnold O. Beckman, board chairman, said that Dr. Brown is recognized nationally as a scientist, educator, government executive and business leader. Beckman Instrument has had a plant in Porterville for a number of years.

Adult School Classes Will Start September 8; Brochure Available

PORTERVILLE – Most Porterville Adult School evening classes will begin the week of September 8 according to Dr. R.H. Chamberlain, director of adult education for the high school district.

Classes offered this term include courses required for high school graduation, elective courses for enrichment, and skill development courses for employment.

Academic classes include English, history, mathematics, science, and American problems, with both day and evening classes available.

Special interest courses are scheduled in ceramics, driver training, lapidary, oil painting, conversational Spanish, woodworking, and genealogy; special short courses include auto maintenance for women, parent education, citizen and the law, horse care and training, hunter safety, income tax, leather craft, macrame, and trout fly tying.

Skill development courses include power sewing, school bus driver education, welding, typing, and teacher aide training.

Programs designed for handicapped adults are offered in basic education, sewing, crafts, and physical conditioning, as well as crafts for the blind.

General Education Development Test (G.E.D.) of high school equivalency is administered by the adult school. Review classes are available to prepare for the test.

Dr. Chamberlain stated that brochures will be mailed to last year's enrollees and that other adults may obtain brochures at the adult school office in the Porterville High School administration building, or by a telephone request. Information regarding enrollment in classes is available by calling 784-7000, extension 14, beginning August 25.

Burton Members Show Guide Dogs At State Fair

BURTON – Kimmie Johnson and Kelly Padula represented Tulare county with their Guide Dog puppies at the California State Fair August 22, 23, 24.

The entire fairgrounds was their obstacle course; they wore a sign saying "Ask me about my puppie," and gave talks and demonstrations at various places on the grounds throughout the day.

REGISTRATION SEPTEMBER 10 AT BURTON 4-H

BURTON – The Burton 4-H club will hold its registration meeting at Burton school, Wednesday September 10, 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the multi-purpose room. Those wishing to enroll should be there early as the general meeting will start at 8:00.

Age requirements are: Nine years old by December 1, or be in the fourth grade; 19 years is the maximum age limit.

There will be no registration fee but a $1.00 insurance fee is required to be paid at this meeting. For further information contact Mrs. Betty Webb at 784-2951 or Mrs. Rose Webb at 784-4814.

DOCTOR JOINS HOSPITAL STAFF

PORTERVILLE – Dr. James T. Shelton, medical director of Porterville State hospital, has announced the addition of Alfred Carney, M.D. physician and surgeon, to the hospital's medical staff. He has been assigned to the Adult Physical Development program.

Clingstone peach production in California this year is expected to total 760,000 tons, five percent below last year.

CHAMBER PLANS ACTION PROGRAM FOR 1976 YEAR

PORTERVILLE – Looking forward to a program of action in 1976, directors of the Porterville chamber of commerce have approved a 12-point survey to be mailed to all chamber members seeking their opinions on programs which the chamber might undertake in 1976.

Among these are: A basic program on business education geared to students and employees; a program that would help reduce crime in the community; and a program which would lead to the beautification of Freeway 65 and Route 190.

Chamber members will also be asked to appraise some of the chamber's more recent accomplishments.

CALIFORNIA DOMINATES SHOW AT OSAKA, JAPAN

SACRAMENTO – The American Food Festival held in Osaka, Japan, earlier this month was dominated by California products.

Harry Krade, Economic Advisor for the State Department of Food and Agriculture, said that 14 of the 58 United States exhibits represented California exporters.

Among California companies presenting their products to the Japanese were Sunkist Growers, Inc., California Almond Growers Exchange, and the advisory boards for cling peaches, prunes, raisins, and avocadoes.

The American Food Festival, sponsored by the Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Japan External Trade Organization, was the first such U.S. promotion to be held in Osaka - the commercial and industrial center of western Japan. Attendance was limited mostly to buyers and other food industry people.

Approximately 1,000 products were displayed and sampled, including more than 100 products new to the Japanese market. Avocadoes especially drew interest, as many Japanese are not acquainted with them.

"Japan is the number one overseas market for U.S. agriculture," Krade stated. "U.S. farm product exports to Japan grew from $1.1 billion to $3.5 billion between 1971 and 1974."

A complex disease problem is threatening to kill a substantial portion of San Joaquin county cherry trees.

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This business is conducted by general partnership.
Signed J.G. Raney.
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Tulare County on August 6, 1975.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the original on file in my office.
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Signed Donald F. Griset.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF TULARE No. 24170

Estate of
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditors of the above named decedent that all persons having claims against the said decedent are required to file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the clerk of the above entitled court, or to present them, with the necessary vouchers, to the undersigned at the law offices of Hubler, Burford, Moran & Quirk, 141 East Mill Avenue, Porterville, California, which is the place of business of the undersigned in all matters pertaining to the estate of said decedent, within four months after the first publication of this notice.

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Attorneys for Executor
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SCOUTS ATTEND CONFERENCE

VISALIA – Two Scouts will serve as representatives of Mirimichi Lodge, Order of the Arrow, while attending the national conference to be held at Miami university, Oxford, Ohio, August 18-22. William Sharp, Troop 400, Hanford and Richard Witt, Troop 117, Porterville will join with some 4500 other young men from throughout America to take part in training, recognition and competition for members of the Order of the Arrow, an organization of outstanding Scout campers.

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Marionettes

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The Popcorn Theater Marionettes are old friends of youngsters at the Tulare County fair, since they have performed for a number of years at the fair.

And John Brunner first became acquainted with Tulare county back in World War II days when he trained as a pilot at the old Rankin field, with a Tulare man as his instructor - Ken Billingsley - who now is in the car business at Porterville.

Prizes Galore

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and additional prizes supplied by concessionnaires on the fairgrounds.

Technique is simple. Prizes will be placed on top of a large pile of shavings and sawdust, then turned into the pile with shovels. At the go signal, contestants hit the shavings, and it's everyone for themselves.

"We first tried this event last year," says Fair Manager Al Slinde. "The youngsters - and oldsters spectators too - had so much fun that we have enlarged it and added many more prizes."

Contest time is 15 minutes of digging, with contestants keeping whatever they can pull out.

Grade Dairy

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All dairymen are invited to select one or two animals for each class. Those who want to enter cows in these classes are requested to send the following information to Gale Gurtle, Agricultural Building, County Civic Center, Visalia 93277: Name and address of owner, number or name of cow, breed, age and number of calves.

Gurtle says, "This has been one of the popular events at the Tulare County Fair for the last nine years, and we are looking for another interesting display of grade cows this year."

Our Town

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wires to a kind of walkie talkie, this sent back pictures of what my heart was doing to a central screen. If you inadvertently unplugged one of the wires, a nurse comes in to check. I had a beautiful room with a beautiful ceiling. Whoever designed the rooms must have been thinking of the patients. You look at the ceiling a lot, and it is nice when it is interesting.

Another thing I enjoyed was a panel of buttons that did all kinds of things. I liked the one that drew the drapes best. I tried to find all kinds of excuses to draw the drapes. In this electronic age they still haven't invented anything that will replace the bedpan, but they do give it to you when you leave the hospital. I thought that was a nice touch. My bedpan is a lovely coral color. I think I will plant sweet peas in it.

I could go on for hours about the nursing staff. I tried to remember all their names, but they would change shifts, and they were all so great. One night I was blubbering to myself. Here I had everything to be grateful for and I was feeling sorry for myself. The lights went on, and a beautiful blond stood at the side of my bed and smiled. GLORIA RANKIN was there, and she said just the right things, and I went back to sleep.

Having a family is very special when you are in the hospital. Our son and daughter-in-law arrived and stayed a few days to vacuum and keep the house from falling apart. Then our daughter arrived from Miami the same day I got home. Which was a lovely surprise. I had a wonderful time lying around letting people wait on me. After two weeks our daughter had to leave for Miami, and we took her to the Visalia Airport to catch the United flight. The flight was two hours late from San Francisco, then it finally arrived and went on to Bakersfield where the passengers were to take the Orange Belt Stage to Los Angeles. Our daughter missed her flight from there, and ended up getting to Miami twenty-four hours later. Fly United?

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VISALIA — Associated Builders and Contractors have announced that former governor, Ronald Reagan, will make the keynote address at 18th annual convention of the association, scheduled for November 13-18 in Houston, Texas.

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Industrial

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Slinde says that the Industrial Education department will have 36 divisions and 141 groups indicating the increasing interest that is developing in this type of education.

Supervisor of the department is Mrs. Hazel Espindula; assistant supervisor is Jeff Halpin. Serving on a planning committee are: Slinde, representing county fair management; Andrew Verhoeven and Halpin, Tulare County schools; Joe Guarisco and Tom Baker, Tulare County Community colleges; Jack Stinson and Ralph Osmon, Tulare County Organization For Vocational education; and Merritt Savage, California Industrial Education association.

Entries in the Industrial Education department close September 5; exhibits will be received September 12, 13, and 14 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.; judging is set for 3 p.m., September 15.

Only projects made in Tulare county or Delano high schools, under proper supervision can be shown; projects must have been started and completed during the 12 months preceding the 1975 fair.

USDA APPOINTMENT

WASHINGTON — Secretary of Agriculture Earl L. Butz has announced appointment of Donald E. Wilkinson as administrator of the Agricultural Marketing service. Wilkinson has been Wisconsin State Secretary of Agriculture since 1969; his appointment is effective September 1 to succeed Ervin L. Peterson, who retired July 31.

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BARBECUE PLANS PROGRESS

POPLAR — Plans for the September 11 chamber of commerce barbecue are "progressing nicely," with Bill Taber heading up the arrangements committee. Among those working with him are: Howard Tharp, Ray George, Ed. S. Halbert, Bill Walker, Gaylen Stoll, Paul Gibson, Roy Langston, Junior Taber and Don Vossler. Tickets are available at Ray George & Son and at Deaton's Poplar Locker service, also at the California Federal office in Porterville.

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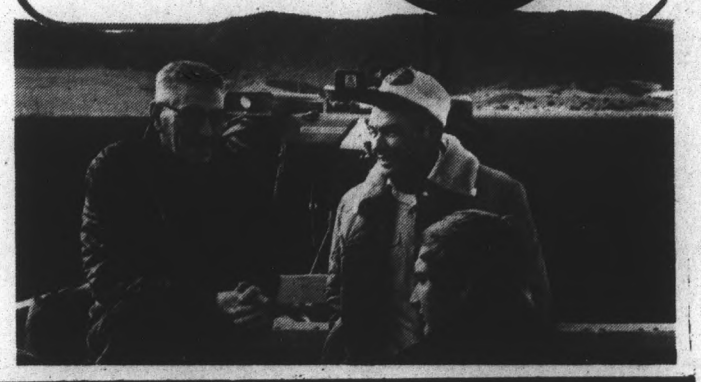

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